

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration Interstate 40 Median Regrade Project

Would you like a public hearing on what we're proposing?



<p><b>WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?</b></p>	<p>The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to regrade the median cross slopes from existing conditions, which vary from 2:1 to 6:1 or steeper to a proposed 10:1 or flatter on Interstate 40 from Essex Road Overcrossing (Post Mile [PM] R100.0) in the community of Fenner to PM R125.0, 4.5 miles east of Homer Wash Bridge, in rural San Bernardino County.</p>
<p><b>WHY THIS NOTICE?</b></p>	<p>Caltrans studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the proposed project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains the effects of the project is called a <i>Draft Initial Study (IS)</i>. This notice is to advise you of the preparation of the <i>Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)</i> and of its availability for you to read, and to offer the opportunity to request a public hearing or to provide comments, and the intent to adopt this MND.</p>
<p><b>WHAT'S AVAILABLE?</b></p>	<p>Copies of the Draft <i>IS with Proposed MND</i>, including associated maps, are available for review during regular business hours at (1.) Needles Branch Library, 1111 Bailey Avenue, Needles, 92363; (2) Caltrans District 8, 464 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, MS 823, San Bernardino, 92401-1400.</p>
<p><b>WHERE YOU COME IN</b></p>	<p>Do you have any comments about processing the project with an <i>IS with Proposed MND</i>? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the <i>IS with (Proposed MND)</i>? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? We'd like to hear what you think. Please submit your comments in writing <b>no later than October 26, 2020</b>, to:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">California Department of Transportation ATTN: Gabrielle Duff Senior Environmental Planner 464 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400; or via email to: <a href="mailto:gabrielle.duff@dot.ca.gov">gabrielle.duff@dot.ca.gov</a> Please include "Interstate 40 Median Regrade Project" in the subject line.</p> <p>The date we will begin accepting comments is <b>September 25, 2020</b>. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.</p>
<p><b>CONTACT</b></p>	<p>For more information about this study or this project, please contact the Caltrans District 8 Office of Public Affairs at (909)383-4631. For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document can be made available in Braille, in large print, on audiocassette, or on computer disk. To obtain a copy in one of these alternate formats, please call or write to Department of Transportation, Attn: Gabrielle Duff, Senior Environmental Planner, 464 West Fourth Street, San Bernardino, 92401, or use the California Relay Service 1(800) 735-2929 (TTY to Voice), 1(800) 735-2922 (Voice to TTY), 1(800) 855-3000 (Spanish TTY to Voice and Voice to TTY), 1(800) 854-7784 (Spanish and English Speech-to-Speech) or 711.</p>